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For: Initialization Method For An Entertainment and  
Communications Network

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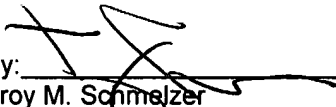
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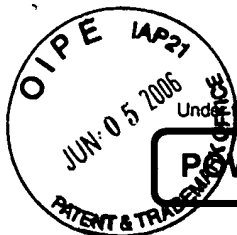
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Applicant/Patent Owner: LINEAR LLC

Application No./Patent No.: 6,934,300 Filed/Issue Date: August 23, 2005

Entitled: Initialization Method For An Entertainment And Communications Network

LINEAR LLC

(Name of Assignee)

, a Limited Liability Company

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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5/15/06

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Vice President - Finance

Title

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Execution Date: May 15, 2006

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1950 Camino Vida Robel, Ste. 150  
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4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

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A. Patent Application No.(s) N/A

B. Patent No.(s) 6,934,300

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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## **ASSIGNMENT**

This Assignment is made and entered into between M&S SYSTEMS, LP ("ASSIGNOR"), a corporation of the State of Texas, having a principal place of business at 2861 Congressman Lane, Dallas, Texas 75220 and LINEAR LLC ("ASSIGNEE"), a limited liability company of the State of California, having a principal place of business at 1950 Camino Vida Roble, Ste. 150, Carlsbad, California 92008.

### **Recitals**

1. ASSIGNOR is owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to:

U.S. Patent 6,907,458, issued June 14, 2005; and

U.S. Patent 6,934,300, issued August 23, 2005.

2. ASSIGNOR desires to assign to ASSIGNEE, and ASSIGNEE desires to acquire, ASSIGNOR's entire right, title and interest in the aforementioned U.S. patents.

### **Definitions**

1. "ASSIGNOR" shall mean M&S SYSTEMS, LP
2. "ASSIGNEE" shall mean LINEAR LLC, its successors, assigns and legal representatives; and
3. "ASSIGNED RIGHTS" shall mean the aforementioned U.S. patents and the invention described and claimed in said patents; any and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, extensions or reexamination certificates of any of said patents; any and all foreign patents and applications corresponding to said patents; and all corresponding rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property.

### **Assignment**

In consideration for the receipt from ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR of good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers and sets over ASSIGNOR's entire right title and interest in the aforementioned U.S. patents to the ASSIGNEE, such that ASSIGNEE shall own the entire (100%) right, title and interest in and to said ASSIGNED RIGHTS.

For the same consideration, ASSIGNOR hereby represents and warrants that, with the exception of the ASSIGNEE, at the time of execution and delivery of

this Assignment, ASSIGNOR has not conveyed any interest in and to the ASSIGNED RIGHTS, that the same are unencumbered and that no other party holds any right, title or interest in or to the ASSIGNED RIGHTS.

M&S SYSTEMS, LP

Date: 5/15/06 By: 

Name: Charles E. Monts

Title: Vice President - Finance